

**AB 3121 TASK FORCE
TO STUDY AND DEVELOP REPARATIONS PROPOSALS FOR
AFRICAN AMERICANS**

MEETING NOTICE AND AGENDA

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Meeting Locations, Date, and Time:

**May 6, 2023, at 9:00 a.m.
(PST)**

**Lisser Hall
Mills College at Northeastern University
5000 MacArthur Blvd.
Oakland, CA 94613**

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1. **Call to Order, Roll Call to Establish a Quorum and Welcome 9:00 a.m. – 9:05 a.m.**
2. **Welcoming Remarks by Elected Officials 9:05 a.m. – 9:15 a.m.**
3. **Public Comment: 9:15 a.m.-11:15 a.m.**
 - **Phone Line 9:15 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.**
 - **In-Person 10:15 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.**
4. **Action Item: Approval of March 29-30, 2023 Meeting Minutes 11:15 a.m. – 11:20 a.m.**
5. **Action Item: Final Discussion and Vote on the Full Final Report, Part I: Detail of Historical Atrocities (Gov. Code, § 8301, subd. (b)(1)) 11:20 a.m. – 11:40 a.m.**
 - Chapter 1: Introduction
 - Chapter 2: Enslavement
 - Chapter 3: Racial Terror
 - Chapter 4: Political Disenfranchisement
 - Chapter 5: Housing Segregation and Unjust Property Takings
 - Chapter 6: Separate and Unequal Education
 - Chapter 7: Racism in Environment and Infrastructure
 - Chapter 8: Pathologizing African American Families
 - Chapter 9: Control Over Creative, Cultural, and Intellectual Life
 - Chapter 10: Stolen Labor and Hindered Opportunity
 - Chapter 11: An Unjust Legal System
 - Chapter 12: Mental and Physical Harm and Neglect
 - Chapter 13: The Wealth Gap
6. **Action Item: Final Discussion and Vote on the Full Final Report, Part II: International Reparations Framework and Examples of Other Reparations Schemes (Gov. Code, § 8301.1, subd. (b)(3)(A)) 11:40 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.**
 - Chapter 14: International Reparations Framework
 - Chapter 15: Examples of Other Reparations Schemes
7. **Lunch 12:00 p.m. – 1:20 p.m.**
8. **Discussion and Potential Action Item: Communications Advisory Committee Comments and Communications Firm Implementation Plan Updates and Outcomes — Presenters: Members Lewis, Bradford and Charles Group Representatives — 1:20 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.**

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9. **Action Item: Final Discussion and Vote on the Full Final Report, Part III: Recommendation of the Task Force as to how the State of California will Offer a Formal Apology on Behalf of the People of California for the Perpetration of Gross Human Rights Violations and Crimes Against Humanity on African Slaves and Their Descendants. (Gov. Code, § 8301.1, subd. (b)(3)(B)) 1:30 p.m. – 1:50 p.m.**
- Chapter 16: Recommendation for a Formal Apology Enacted by the Legislature and Signed by the Governor, for the Atrocities Documented in Part I
10. **Action Item: Final Discussion and Vote on the Full Final Report, Part IV: Recommendations of Task Force Regarding Calculations of Reparations and Forms of Compensation and Restitution 1:50 p.m. – 2:15 p.m.**
- Chapter 17: Recommendations of Task Force Regarding Calculations of Reparations and Forms of Compensation and Restitution
11. **Action Item: Final Discussion and Vote on the Full Final Report, Part V: Policy Recommendations to the Legislature as to the Appropriate Policies, Programs, Projects, and Recommendations for the Purpose of Reversing the Injuries ((Gov. Code, § 8301, subd. (b)(3)(C), (b)(3)(D)) 2:15 p.m. – 3:15 p.m.**
- Chapter 18: Introduction to Policy Recommendations with General Structural Recommendations
 - i. Introduction to Policy Recommendations
 - ii. General Structural Policy Recommendations
 - Create and Fund the California American Freedman Affairs Agency
 - Repeal Proposition 209
 - Mandate Effective Racial Impact Analyses of New Enactments
 - Agency Transparency
 - Make Legislative Findings and Build Legislative Records that Reflect the Historic and Present State of Pervasive Structural Barriers and Discrimination Against African Americans and Supports Reparative Enactments
 - Transmit AB 3121 Task Force Report to the President and Congress
 - Chapter 19: Enslavement
 - i. Enact a legal resolution affirming the State’s protection of Descendants of enslaved people and guaranteeing protection of the civil, political, and socio-cultural rights of Descendants of enslaved people
 - ii. Amending the California Constitution to prohibit involuntary servitude
 - iii. Payment of fair market value for labor provided by incarcerated persons (whether in jail or in prison)
 - iv. Emphasize the “Rehabilitation” in the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (CDCR)

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11. Action Item: Final Discussion and Vote on the Full Final Report, Part V (Continued)

- Chapter 19: Enslavement
 - v. Abolish the death penalty
 - vi. Prohibit private prisons from benefiting from contracts with CDCR to provide reentry services to incarcerated or paroled individuals
- Chapter 20: Racial Terror
 - i. Establish and Fund Community Wellness Centers in African American Communities
 - ii. Advance the Study of the Intergenerational, Direct, and Indirect Impacts of Racism
 - iii. Fund Research to Study the Mental Health Issues within California’s African American Youth Population, and to Address Rising Suicide Rates Among African American Youth
 - iv. Expand the Membership of the Mental Health Services Oversight and Accountability Commission (MHSOAC) and Require the Appointment of an Expert in Reducing Disparities in Mental Health Care Access and Treatment to the MHSOAC
 - v. Fund Community-Driven Solutions to Decrease Community Violence at the Family, School, and Neighborhood Levels in African American communities
 - vi. End the Under-Protection of African American Women and Girls
 - vii. Address and Remedy Discrimination Against African American LGBTQ+ Youth and LGBTQ+ Adults, Reduce Economic Disparities for the African American LGBTQ+ Population, and Reduce Disparities in Mental Health and Health Care Outcomes for African American LGBTQ+ Youth and LGBTQ+ Adults
 - viii. Implement Procedures to Address the Over Diagnosis of Emotional Disturbance Disorders, Including Conduct Disorder, in African American Children
 - ix. Disrupt the Mental Health Crisis and County Jail Cycle in African American communities
 - x. Create and Fund Equivalents to the UC-PRIME-LEAD-ABC Program for Psychologists, Licensed Professional Counselors, and Licensed Professional Therapists
 - xi. Eliminate Legal Protections for Peace Officers Who Violate Civil or Constitutional Rights
 - xii. Recommend Abolition of the Qualified Immunity Doctrine to Allow Victims of Police Violence Access to Justice
 - xiii. Assess and Remedy Racially Biased Treatment of African American Adults and Juveniles in Custody in County Jails, State Prisons, Juvenile Halls, and Youth Camps

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11. Action Item: Final Discussion and Vote on the Full Final Report, Part V (Continued)

- Chapter 21: Political Disenfranchisement
 - i. Require District-Based Voting and Independent Redistricting Commissions to Safeguard Against the Dilution of the African American Voting Bloc
 - ii. Increase Funding to Support the California Department of Justice's Enforcement of Voting Rights in California
 - iii. Pass Legislation Aligning with the Objectives of AB 2576 and Establish Separate Funding to Support Educational and Civic Engagement Activities
 - iv. Provide Funding to NGOs Whose Work Focuses on Increasing Civic Engagement Among African Americans
 - v. Declare Election Day a Paid State Holiday and Provide Support to Essential Workers to Increase Access to the Polls
 - vi. Remove the Barrier of Proving Identity to Vote
 - vii. Increase Jury Participation of Persons with Felony Convictions and Discourage Judges and Attorneys from Excluding Potential Jurors Solely for Having a Prior Felony Conviction
 - viii. Increase Efforts to Restore the Voting Rights of Formerly and Currently Incarcerated Persons and Provide Access to Those Who Are Currently Incarcerated and Eligible to Vote
- Chapter 22: Housing Segregation and Unjust Property Takings
 - i. Prioritize Responsible Development in Communities and Housing Development
 - ii. Enact Policies Overhauling the Housing Industrial Complex
 - iii. Collect Data on Housing Discrimination
 - iv. Provide Anti-Racism Training to Workers in the Housing Field
 - v. Expand Grant Funding to Community-Based Organizations to Increase Home Ownership
 - vi. Provide Property Tax Relief to Descendants, Living in Formerly Redlined Neighborhoods, Who Purchase or Construct a New Home
 - vii. Provide Direct Financial Assistance to Increase Home Ownership Among Descendants Through Shared Appreciation Loans and Subsidized Down Payments, Mortgages, and Homeowner's Insurance
 - viii. Require State Review and Approval of All Residential Land Use Ordinances Enacted by Historically and Currently Segregated Cities and Counties
 - ix. Repeal Crime-Free Housing Policies
 - x. Increase Affordable Housing for African American Californians
 - xi. Provide Restitution for Racially Motivated Takings
 - xii. Provide a Right to Return for Displaced African American Californians

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11. Action Item: Final Discussion and Vote on the Full Final Report, Part V (Continued)

- Chapter 23: Separate and Unequal Education
 - i. Increase Funding to Schools to Address Racial Disparities
 - ii. Fund Grants to Local Educational Agencies to Address the COVID-19 Pandemic's Impacts on Exacerbating Racial Disparities in Education
 - iii. Implement Systematic Review of School Discipline Data
 - iv. Improve Access to Educational Opportunities for All Incarcerated People
 - v. Adopt Mandatory Curriculum for Teacher Credentialing and Trainings for School Personnel and Grants for Teachers
 - vi. Employ Proven Strategies to Recruit African American Teachers
 - vii. Require that Curriculum at All Levels Be Inclusive and Free of Bias
 - viii. Advance the Timeline for Ethnic Studies Classes
 - ix. Adopt a K-12 Black Studies Curriculum
 - x. Adopt the Freedom School Summer Program
 - xi. Reduce Racial Disparities in the STEM Fields for African American Students
 - xii. Expand Access to Career Technical Education for Descendants
 - xiii. Reduce K-12 Public School Segregation by Enabling Students to Attend Schools in Other Districts
 - xiv. Fund Free Tuition to California Public Colleges and Universities
 - xv. Eliminate Standardized Testing for Admission to Graduate Programs in the University of California and California State University Systems
 - xvi. Identify and Eliminate Racial Bias and Discrimination in Statewide K-12 Proficiency Assessments
- Chapter 24: Racism In Environment and Infrastructure
 - i. Increase Greenspace Access and Recreation Opportunities in African American Communities
 - ii. Test For and Eliminate Toxicity in Descendant Communities
 - iii. Increase Trees in Redlined and Descendant Communities
 - iv. Develop Climate Resilience Hubs in Redlined and Descendant Communities
 - v. Remove Lead in Drinking Water
 - vi. Prevent Highway Expansion and Mitigate Transportation Pollution
 - vii. Address Food Injustice (Proposal from Chapter 29)
- Chapter 25: Pathologizing African American Families
 - i. Reduce and Seek to Eliminate Racial Disparities in the Removal of African American Children from Their Homes and Families
 - ii. Reduce the Placement of African American Children in Foster Care and Increase Kinship Placements for African American Children
 - iii. Establish and Fund Early Intervention Programs That Address Intimate Partner Violence (IPV) Within the African American Community
 - iv. Eliminate Interest on Past-Due Child Support and Eliminate Back Child Support Debt
 - v. Eliminate or Reduce Charges for Phone Calls Between County Jail Inmates and Their Families

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- Chapter 25: Pathologizing African American Families
 - vi. Address Disproportionate Homelessness Among African American Californians
 - vii. Address Disparities and Discrimination Associated with Substance Use Recovery Services
- Chapter 26: Control Over Creative, Cultural, and Intellectual Life
 - i. Provide State Funding to African Americans to Address Disparity in Compensation Among Athletes in the University of California and State System; and Funding to Support African American Athletes in Capitalizing on their Name, Image, and Likeness and Intellectual Property
 - ii. Prohibit Discrimination Based on Natural and Protective Hair Styles In All Competitive Sports
 - iii. Identify and Remove Monuments, Plaques, State Markers and Memorials Memorializing and Preserving Confederate Culture; Erect Monuments, Plaques and Memorials Memorializing and Preserving Reconstruction Era and the African American Community
 - iv. Provide Funding to the Proposed California American Freedmen Affairs Agency, Specifically for Creative, Cultural, and Intellectual Life
 - v. Eliminate the Practice of Banning Books Maintained by the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation
- Chapter 27: Stolen Labor and Hindered Opportunity
 - i. Greater Transparency in Gubernatorial Appointments
 - ii. Guaranteed Income Program for Descendants
 - iii. Licensure for People with Criminal Records
 - iv. Transforming the Minimum Wage Back into a Living Wage
 - v. Advancing Pay Equity through Employment Transparency and Equity in Hiring/Promotion
 - vi. Professional Career Training
 - vii. Apprenticeship Grant Program
 - viii. Funding African American Businesses
 - ix. Funding African American Banks
- Chapter 28: An Unjust Legal System
 - i. Allocate Funds to Remedy Harms and Promote Opportunity
 - ii. Eliminate Barriers for African American Prospective Attorneys by Funding Legal Education and Ending Discriminatory Gatekeeping at the State Bar
 - iii. Prohibit Cash Bail and Mandate that Those Who Are Acquitted or Exonerated be Reimbursed by the Agency at Fault
 - iv. Enact Enforceable Legislation with Penalties that Dismantles the School to Prison Pipeline and Decriminalizes the Youth Justice System
 - v. Amend the Penal Code to Clarify and Confirm Decriminalization of Transit and Other Public Disorder Offenses
 - vi. Amend the Penal Code to Shift Public Disorder Infractions and Low-Level Crimes Outside of Law Enforcement Jurisdiction

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- Chapter 28: An Unjust Legal System
 - vii. Prohibit Pretextual Traffic and Pedestrian Stops, Probation Inquiries, and Consent-Only Searches
 - viii. Mandate Policies and Training on Bias-Free Policing
 - ix. Enact Legislation that Requires the Department of Justice to Promulgate Model Law Enforcement Policies Designed to Prevent Racial Disparities in Policing
 - x. Strengthen and Expand the Racial Justice Act
 - xi. Repeal Three Strikes Sentencing
 - xii. Accelerate Scheduled Closures of Identified California State Prisons and Close Ten Prisons Over the Next Five Years, with Financial Savings Redirected to the California American Freedmen Affairs Agency
 - xiii. End the Under-protection of African American Women and Girls
 - xiv. Increase Efforts to Restore the Voting Rights of Formerly and Currently Incarcerated Persons and Provide Access to Those Who Are Currently Incarcerated and Eligible to Vote (Proposal from Chapter 21)
 - xv. Abolish the death penalty (Proposal from Chapter 19)
 - xvi. Fund Community-Driven Solutions to Decrease Community Violence at the Family, School, and Neighborhood Levels in African American Communities (Proposal from Chapter 20)
 - xvii. End the Under-Protection of African American Women and Girls (Proposal from Chapter 20)
 - xviii. Disrupt the Mental Health Crisis and County Jail Cycle in African American Communities (Proposal from Chapter 20)
 - xix. Eliminate Legal Protections for Peace Officers Who Violate Civil or Constitutional Rights (Proposal from Chapter 20)
 - xx. Recommend Abolition of the Qualified Immunity Doctrine to Allow Victims of Police Violence Access to Justice (Proposal from Chapter 20)
 - xxi. Assess and Remedy Racially Biased Treatment of African American Adults and Juveniles in Custody in County Jails, State Prisons, Juvenile Halls, and Youth Camps (Proposal from Chapter 20)
- Chapter 29: Mental and Physical Harm and Neglect
 - i. Address Health Inequities among African American Californians by Funding the California Health Equity and Racial Justice Fund
 - ii. Improving Health Insurance Coverage
 - iii. Evaluate Recently-Passed Health Care Laws
 - iv. Address Anti-Black Discrimination in Health Care
 - v. Mandate Standardized Data Collection
 - vi. Provide Medical Social Workers/Health Care Advocates
 - vii. Improving Diversity Among Clinical Trial Participants
 - viii. Remedy the Higher Rates of Injury and Death Among African American Mothers and Infants

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- Chapter 29: Mental and Physical Harm and Neglect
 - ix. Advance the Study of the Intergenerational, Direct, and Indirect Impacts of Racism
 - x. Remedy the High Rates of Mental Health Issues/Suicide Among African American Youth
 - xi. Meet the Health Needs of African American Elders
 - xii. Remedy Disparities in Oral Health Care
 - xiii. Fix Racially Biased Algorithms and Medical Artificial Intelligence in Health Care
 - xiv. Fund and Expand the UC PRIME-LEAD-ABC Program to be Available at All UC Medical Campuses
 - xv. Create and Fund Equivalents to the UC-PRIME-LEAD-ABC Program for Psychologists, Licensed Professional Counselors, and Licensed Professional Therapists
 - xvi. Permanently Fund the California Medicine Scholars Program and Create and Fund Equivalent Pathway Programs for Students in the CSU and UC Systems
 - xvii. Review and Prevent Racially Biased Disciplinary Practices by the Medical Board of California
 - xviii. Address Food Injustice
- Chapter 30: The Wealth Gap

12. Action Item: Final Discussion and Vote on the Full Final Report, Part VI: Report on Racial Justice Act Implementation 3:15 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

- Chapter 31: Final Report Drafted by DOJ Research Center Based on Survey Conducted of District Attorneys, Superior Courts, and Major City Attorneys

13. Action Item: Final Discussion and Vote on the Full Final Report, Part VII: Bunche Center Report on Community Engagement and Input through Community Listening Sessions 3:30 p.m. – 3:45 p.m.

- Chapter 32: Final Bunche Center Report

14. Break 3:45 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

15. Action Item: Final Discussion and Vote on the Full Final Report, Part VIII: Task Force's Recommendations for Educating the Public (Gov. Code, § 8301, subd. (b)(2)) 4:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

- Chapter 33: Task Force's Recommendations for Educating the Public

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16. Action Item: Final Discussion and Vote on the Full Final Report, Part IX: Compendium of Statutes and Case Law that Contributed to an Unjust Legal System (reference for recommendations covered in PART V, pursuant to Gov. Code, § 8301, subd. (b)(3)(C)) 4:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

- Chapter 34: Introduction and Background
- Chapter 35: Cases and Statutes Relating to Housing
- Chapter 36: Cases and Statutes Relating to Employment Laws
- Chapter 37: Cases and Statutes Relating to Education Laws
- Chapter 38: Cases and Statutes Relating to Political Participation
- Chapter 39: Cases and Statutes Relating to the Legal System
- Chapter 40: Cases and Statutes Relating to Civil Rights

17. Action Item: Final Discussion and Vote on the Full Final Report, Executive Summary 5:00 p.m. – 5:10 p.m.

18. Discussion and Action Item: June 30, 2023 Meeting Location and Agenda 5:10 p.m. – 5:20 p.m.

19. Discussion and Potential Action Item: Unfinished Business 5:20 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

20. Task Force Member Closing Remarks and Meeting Adjourn – 5:30 p.m.